(*e*) Enquiry was made by the Police.

(*f*) The boy was last known to be residing in the compound of one Elanjikal Benjamin at Kara.

(*g*) Yes.

(*h*) Yes.

(*i*) Police enquiry started on 20th Karkadagam 1115 and was closed on 18th Chingam 1116.

(*j*) Crime 103/15, was registered at Cranganur Station and duly investigated.

(*k*) No.

I may also add for the information of the House that the boy was sent away from the place by some undesirable persons to black-mail the Christian. We made necessary enquiries regarding the boy and finally we traced the boy at Alleppey and he has been brought back and produced on the 26th Thulam 1116.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: Is there any case pending before the Magistrate?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police)*: There was the missing of the boy....

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: So it is *sub-judice*?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police)*: No *sub-judice*, no case. The boy was missing. He was found out. That is all. *(Laughter)*.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

1. Inaccuracy of the market Reports published in the Gazette

Mr. President: I have received notice of an adjournment motion by Mr. Moothedan. The motion reads thus. "*The careless indifference of the Revenue Department in publishing in the Gazette weekly market reports—in particular the reporting of market prices of paddy at Ernakulam in such a way as to show always higher prices for paddy, thereby depriving the tenants of even the meagre benefits conferred by the Cochin Agriculturists Relief Act*". The motion on the face of it is out of order. This is regarding mistakes seen in the publication of the market reports in the Gazette. This is not a subject for an adjournment motion.

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Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* If the reporting is done in a careless indifferent manner, what is the remedy of the citizens? It is not mistake alone; it is gross failure of the Revenue Department to discharge certain duties. Under the Agriculturists Relief Act tenants are allowed to deposit money value of pattams, according to the rates published in the Gazette. In the Gazette always higher prices are given—always it is done one way. This ought to be stopped. That is why I gave notice of this motion.

Mr. President: You could have tabled a resolution.

2. Stopping the usual concessions granted to Depressed Classes when they change their religion

Mr. President: There is another adjournment motion tabled by the same member. It runs thus: *"For discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely.—The decision of the Government stopping the usual concessions granted to non-Hindus belonging to the Depressed Class community."* I have nothing to say about the admissibility of this motion. I want to hear the views of the members about this motion.

The decision of the Government was to stop the usual concessions to Non-Hindus belonging to the depressed communities. I think the motion itself is wrongly worded. Government have never been giving concessions to Non-Hindus belonging to the depressed classes. The motion is wrongly worded. Anyhow, I do not disallow it on that technical ground. What the hon'ble member means is this: The decision of the Government to stop the usual concessions granted to the depressed classes when they change their religion. Is it not that you mean by this motion?

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Yes. I want only that aspect of the matter to be discussed.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I object to that, Sir. If a depressed class becomes a Jew we won't require that concession.

Mr. President: The motion is in order. I would like to konw whether the member has got the leave of the House to move this motion. The hon'ble members who support this motion will please stand up.

(12 members stood up)

Mr. President: Only 12 members stood up. I think, the motion should be supported by 20 members. Therefore, the hon'ble member has not got the permission of the House to move it.

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